

Chapter XV: "The Contest of the Bow"

Directions: Write the letter of the definition in the right column that best matches the vocabulary word in the left column.

1. impudence _____	a. to indulge oneself in unrestrained pleasure
2. avail _____	b. a temporary interval of rest or retreat
3. wallowed _____	c. advantage or use
4. reprieve _____	d. the state of acting with a cocky boldness or disregard for others
5. contemptuously _____	e. expressing a feeling of scorn or disdain for something or someone

Directions: Choose two of the vocabulary words above and use them correctly in an original sentence (not based on the book).

1. _____

2. _____

You must use complete sentences to receive full credit!

1. Prediction: Why do you think this chapter is entitled, "The Contest of the Bow"? How do you predict the contest will end?
2. Odysseus overheard Antinous and Eurymachus speaking. What was their plan?
3. What did Ctesippus do to Odysseus after offering him some wine?
4. Who stopped the suitors from mocking Odysseus?

5. Who stood up to Telemachus as he protected Odysseus? What did this person tell Telemachus?
6. What did Athena do to intervene?
7. What did the suitors need to do to "win" Penelope?
8. How many suitors showed up for the competition?
9. What problem did Antinous solve and how did he solve it?
10. Why was Antinous willing to go last?
11. What was Antinous' suggestion after each suitor failed?
12. What did Odysseus step forward and suggest to the suitors?
13. What did Penelope say she would give to "the beggar" if he hit the target?
14. What did Odysseus successfully do at the end of this chapter? ☺